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- Peruvian police vigilance of personnel of the Colombian Emcassy in Lima increased considerably during the first half of March 1950 because police believe that employes of the Colombian Embassy are carrying messages and correspondence back and forth between Victor Raul Haya de la Torre, APRA leader in exile in the Colombian Embassy, and his friends on the outside.
- 2. For some time a heavy guard has been maintained around the Colombian Embassy. Cars stopping there are carefully inspected, and the official cars of the Embassy have been subjected to an open surveillance by police on motorcycles. New measures include telephone taps and covert physical surveillances of the movements of the Embassy's personnel.
- The police vigilance has extended to regular contacts and friends of Colombian Embassy personnel. One home known to be under police watch is that of Emilio Ortiz de Zevallos on Calle Roma in San Isidro. Other homes which Colombian Embassy personnel are known to visit are likewise being watched.

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Comment: Source is of the opinion that the Colombian government will make new representations to Peru on the harassment to which Colombian Embassy personnel are being subjected.

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